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Subj: BAH ENTITLEMENTS OF MEMBERS STATIONED IN ALASKA AND HAWAII

Ref: (a) E-Mail ALPERSRU W/99

- (b) DFAS Cleveland Military Pay Advisory 27/00
- (c) ALCOAST 109/99
- (d) Source Data Automation II User Manual, HRSIC M5231.2(series)
- (e) Coast Guard Pay Manual, COMDTINST M7220.29 (series)

Introduction

This E-mail ALPERSRU announces changes to BAH entitlements for members stationed in Alaska and Hawaii. This ALPERSRU supercedes the rules published in reference (a).

Discussion

Reference (b) prescribes that, effective 1 April 2000, members stationed in Alaska and Hawaii are subject to the same rules and regulations concerning BAH as members stationed in the continental United States.

New BAH Entitlement

The BAH rate for members stationed in Alaska and Hawaii is based on the zip code for the member's permanent duty station. This is the case even if the member has dependents and those dependents do not reside at or near the location of the member's duty station.

Special Situations

• Under reference (c), members assigned to an unusually arduous sea duty unit may request to receive the BAH rate for the location of the member's dependents in lieu of the BAH rate prescribed for the homeport of the vessel. In the case of vessels in Alaska or Hawaii, it is usually not in the member's best financial interests to make such a request.

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Special Situations (continued)

- Members ordered to a permanent duty station in Alaska or Hawaii under the following conditions:
 - (a) the member's dependents do <u>not</u> reside at or near the member's duty station, and
 - (b) movement of the member's dependents is <u>not</u> authorized at the expense of the Government, and
 - (c) government quarters are <u>not</u> available for assignment to the member

are entitled to BAH at the with dependent rate for the location where the dependents reside <u>plus</u> a family separation BAH at the without dependent rate for the location of the member's permanent duty station.

Action

PERSRUs servicing members who are stationed in Alaska and Hawaii shall review the BAH entitlement of each of their members. For any members being paid BAH based on the location of the dependents, submit a P606 transaction effective 1 April 2000 to change the BAH zip code to the location of the member's permanent duty station. Procedures for submission of the P606 are contained in reference (d). Do not submit a P606 if the member meets one of the conditions listed in the **Special Situations** section above.

Directives Affected

Reference (a) is cancelled effective 31 March 2000.

These new BAH rules will be published by Commandant (G-WPM-2) as part of Change 15 to reference (e).

Questions

Questions may be directed to the HRSIC Customer Service Team at 785-357-3540.

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